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REMARKS

Without conceding the propriety of the Examiner's position, and solely to expedite prosecution, claims 1 – 3, 5 – 7, 15 – 19, 39, and 40 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 9 - 14. Applicants submit that these claims remain in condition for allowance.

Because there are no further outstanding rejections, Applicants submit that this Application is now in condition for immediate allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and respectfully request that notice thereof be sent.

The Examiner's remaining references cited but not relied upon, considered either alone or in combination, also fail to teach applicant's currently claimed invention. In light of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims now stand in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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